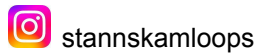




Mid-November Newsletter

Stay Connected

Stay connected with us to keep up with all the amazing things happening on campus. While we'll be sending out newsletters twice a month (like this one), **the best way to get the latest updates is by following us on social media!** Join our online community and stay informed: Follow us on Instagram and Facebook! Our social media channels are the go-to place for highlights from sports events, student accomplishments, and important school announcements.



Morning Drop-off

To ensure proper flow of traffic in the mornings, please only drop your children off in front of the chain link fence on the upper field. **Please do not stop in front of the main entrance, behind the administration stalls, or pull into parking stalls** as it creates safety issues when backing out of the stall.

Volunteer Opportunities

Our Crusader Community is truly special, thanks to the many families who generously give their time to support us here at St. Ann's Academy. We want to take a moment to express our gratitude to all of our families for sharing their time and talents with us.

Please note that **all volunteers** who help out at St. Ann's Academy must have a current Criminal Record Check (CRC) on file at the school office. To learn more about the CRC Process at St. Ann's please reach out by email attendance@st-anns.ca to find out more.

Current Volunteer Opportunities

- **SAA PSG Christmas Bazaar needs your help!** As the holiday season approaches, we are excited to announce that SAA PSG will be hosting our annual **Christmas Bazaar** on November 23rd, and we need your help to make it a success! Whether you're able to lend a hand for a couple of hours or the entire day, your time and effort would be greatly appreciated. Please sign up using this [link](#). There are lots of different ways to help.
- **Grab & Go Lunch Formerly Breakfast for the Needy:** Starting in November our high school campus ministry program will be offering a Grab and Go Lunch option at Sacred Heart Cathedral. This program is successful due to the support from our parent volunteers. Please reach out to Miss Spina at dspina@st-anns.ca to volunteer on December 10, 2024, between 9 am and Noon.
- **St. Ann's Parents Support Group (SAA PSG):** our SAA PSG is in need of Classroom Representatives for all grades from K, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, & 12. This role helps liaise between the grade-level representatives, parents, and the SAA PSG.

Lost and Found

We have noticed that both the elementary and high school lost and founds are starting to fill up beyond their capacity.

This is a reminder that we need our students and parents to check if they are missing anything!

The last day to collect items from the lost and found for this term is **December 13, 2024 at 3pm.**

Attendance

To ensure that your child(ren)s absences are properly recorded please make sure you identify your child(ren) by their first and last names and their grade.

- **Planned Absences** - Please reach out as soon as possible by emailing attendance@st-anns.ca with the date(s) your student(s) will be absent.
- **Appointments** - Please reach out to attendance@st-anns.ca with as much notice as possible to ensure we have your student(s) signed out/marked late. We are unable to sign children out without parent or guardian permission. Email is the best way to ensure this is granted.
- **Illness** - Make sure to report illness by emailing attendance@st-anns.ca.

SAA Clothing

We have new navy crested hoodies in all sizes from youth small to adult XL for \$40 each.

Please see the price sheet below for what is currently available. E-Transfers can be sent to payments@st-anns.ca

SAA CLOTHING

Available at the Office

E-transfer to payments@st-anns.ca with students name(s) and description (Clothing)

Gold Gym T-shirt	\$20
Navy Gym Shorts	\$25
Navy or Gold Gym Bag	\$15
Navy Hoodie: Crested	All Sizes \$40
Navy/Gold Hoodie: Crested	Youth \$40/Adult \$55
Navy/Gold Hoodie: Crested	Adult XL Sizes \$65

Updated: November 2024

Taming Worry Dragons

SAA will be offering the *Taming Worry Dragons* program beginning November 14th from 2:00 to 2:45 pm. In this 10-week program, children will learn how worry affects the mind and body, using the metaphor of anxiety as a "dragon." There are 10 spots available for students in Grades 4 and 5. If your child is experiencing anxious feelings and you think this program would be helpful, please send your registration requests or any questions to the Elementary School Counsellor at ccroukamp@st-anns.ca.

Uniform and Dress Code

This is a friendly reminder that St. Ann's Academy is a uniformed school. There are currently three (3) mandatory daily uniforms: elementary, new high school (Mandatory for all Grade 8 students and optional for grades 9-12) and old high school uniforms. In high school, students cannot mix and match items between the new and old uniform pieces. The full uniform requirements can be found online in the [handbook](#).

Notes for all uniforms: Pants and shorts must be straight-legged, loosely hemmed (no elastic cuffs, yoga pants, or sweatpants material) and have no exterior pockets (cargo/utility style).

Come Read With Me

We will be having another training session on November 26 at 10am by zoom, for CRWM (formerly One to One reading).

No experience is necessary, just a love of reading with children! Interested persons can contactor Come Read With Me coordinator Memeh at dovesah@gmail.com

[Athletics](#)

High School Night at TRU: Come cheer on SAA Alumnus Morgan Eichenberger!

TRU hosted a Highschool Night this past weekend, and it was such a hit we wanted to offer it again for this **Friday, November 15!** Game times are at 5:30PM & 7:30PM, with the **TRU WolfPack Basketball** teams facing off against the University of Fraser Valley.

That evening, we want to invite all high school students, teachers, staff, and their families in the region to attend the games! **We are formally extending an invite to join us that evening for free!** We will be placing your group under **"High School Night"** on our guest list.

The games are located at the Tournament Capital Centre, in the fieldhouse. Upon entry you will see our tent gate. Please go to the side marked guest list, and say you are under High School Night, and you and your family will get in for free.

Stay up to date - The Athletics Website & Calendar is located [here](#).

[Library News](#)

FALL SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Thank you to everyone who came out to support the Fall Scholastic Book Fair. A total of \$3900 in sales was made which earns our library 20% in scholastic rewards! Thank you very much to the volunteers who helped throughout the week making the Book Fair a success!! Stay tuned for information about the next Scholastic Book Fair which will take place in the spring.

Elementary Birthday Book Club

- Elementary students will be bringing home information about the SAA Birthday Book Club. All **NEW** book donations (valued under \$15.00 - please no board books) must be handed in to the library by Friday, June 6th, 2025. Thank you for your generosity!

[SAA Parent Support Group \(follow online at https://st-anns.ca/saapsg/\)](https://st-anns.ca/saapsg/)

Exciting things are happening this year with the St. Ann's Academy Parent Support Group (SAA PSG), previously known as SAPA.

- **Next Meeting:** Wednesday, November 6, 2024, at 6:30 pm in the St. Ann's Academy Meeting Room.
 - SAAPSG is still looking for a Vice Chair If you are interested please make sure to attend the SAAPSG meeting on November 6th at 6:30 pm
- **Purdy's Fundraiser:** Is now open! See your student for more information!
- **Bazaar:** ONE WEEK TO GO!

[Calling Grade 10, 11 & 12 Student Volunteers!!!!](#)

The Bazaar needs your help! If you are interested in helping please sign up [here](#). If you have any questions please reach out to Ms Spina at dspina@st-anns.ca

[ERASE \(Expect Respect & A Safe Education\)](#)

Free Family Sessions are happening Now! Please see their link [here](#) for more details about bullying, consent, anti-racism and more as well as how to register for these sessions.

Faith Development

The Church dedicates the month of November to prayer for the faithful departed.

"Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen"

Remember you are welcome to join us for prayer in the Chapel every Tuesday at 8am. A member of the Faith Development Team will lead us in praying the rosary.

If you are unsure where to find the Chapel you can ask a member of the office staff.

Please join us for the next school Mass on Thursday, November 21 at 9am in the gym.

And as you prepare to send out Christmas mail please consider buying the latest Christmas stamp from Canada Post which depicts a beautiful illustration of the Holy Family (Joseph, Mary and baby Jesus). You can also call Canada Post at 1-800-267-1177 to express your gratitude.

RCMP Youth Academy

This event is designed for high school students (ages 16-18) who are interested in potential careers in police work, law enforcement, or corrections. Students who attend the Academy experience a variety of activities that a police cadet would experience, including fitness training, defensive tactics, application of the law, emergency response, and K-9 demonstration. Guests from a variety of related services provide insight into opportunities in the field. Uniforms, lunch, and snacks are provided.

Please contact Miss Spina if you are interested in the RCMP Youth Academy before you apply.

Find More information online here: <https://tnt.sd73.bc.ca/en/rcmp-youth-academy.aspx>

Save the Dates

- **Dec 12:** Elementary Christmas Concert
- **Dec 16:** High School Coffeehouse
- **Jan 6:** Grad Pictures
- **May 14-16** SAA Players presenting *Sherlock Holmes and the Whitechapel Murders*
- **May 30:** Graduation Mass and Commencement

Key Dates

- **Nov 18:** House Shirt and Uniform Bottoms - Community Building Event that will showcase our House colours!
- **Nov 21:** Elementary Pizza Day - only if you pre-ordered
- **Nov 21:** Full School Mass - **Wear Mass Dress**
High School Principal Awards
- **Nov 22:** Crusaderwear Day
- **Nov 23:** SAA PSG Bazaar
- **Nov 26:** Come Read with Me Training
LSC Meeting
- **Nov 27:** Early Dismissal Elementary at 12:00 pm and High School at 12:30 pm. Buses leave at 12:45 pm.
- **Dec 2:** Pro-Day
- **Dec 5:** Elementary Pizza Day (for those that have pre-ordered)
- **Dec 6:** Dress Down Day Details TBC

Closing Prayer

God, thank you for the special people in our lives whom we are remembering in a special way during the month of November. We thank you for being a compassionate God who walks with us in our dark moments of grief and loneliness. We are thankful for all who continue to love and support us through our grief. Lord, continue to be a light for us, giving us hope, direction and courage. May we now live our lives treasuring the memories of those special people we have known and loved and help us to bring light and hope to others. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord, Amen.



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